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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GORDON, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & CO., 4, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DRACON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE—LEON DE ROSNY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND—GORDON & GORDON, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BRAM & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS—SAYLE & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HENSEN & CO., Malacca.

CHINA—Macao, Messrs A. A. DE MELO & Co. Swatow, CAMPBELL & Co. Amoy, WILSON, NICOLLS & Co. Foochow, HENDER & Co. Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 1,200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. SASSOON, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
E. R. BELLING, Esq. A. MEYER, Esq.
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq.
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CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.

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LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " " 4 " " "
" 12 " " 5 " " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,

Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong

grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

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For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
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For Sale.

FOR SALE.

FINE NEW FIGS, direct from Smyrna. Brazil and Barcelona NUTS. LETT'S DIARIES for 1879. Central and Pin Fire CARTRIDGE CASES.

CLOTH and FELT GUN-WADS. American PARLOUR and COOKING STOVES.

COAL SCUTTLES, new designs. FENDERS and FIRE IRONS. COCOA MATTING.

TAPESTRY CARPET. DOOR MATS.

California LAMBSWOOL BLANKETS. WHITNEY BLANKETS.

REP and other TABLE COVERS, Fancy Patterns.

TABLE LINEN. FINE TURKISH TOWELS.

LINEN SHEETING. PILLOW LINEN.

GREEN and MARONE REP. FLANNEL SHIRTINGS.

FANCY FLANNEL for Gents' Suits. NAVY BLUE SERGE.

CLOTH TROWSER LENGTHS, Assorted Patterns.

ALBUMS, in great variety. CRUMB BRUSHES and TRAYS.

CHUBB'S CASH and DEED BOXES. VETRON'S AUTOMATIC COFFEE MACHINES.

COFFEE ROASTERS, TREMBLING CALL BELLS.

IMPERIAL TRACING CLOTH. DESSERT, DINNER and BREAK-FAST SERVICES.

TABLE GLASSWARE, of every Description.

FOLDING CHAIRS.

CIGARS, CIGARETTES.

Kelly's FAMOUS CUT TOBACCOES. HOUSEHOLD STORES, of every Description.

CLARET in Casks. MALT. HOPS. CAUSTIC SODA, CANADIAN POTASH.

CARBOLIC ACID. CHLORIDE OF LIME, &c., &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO. Hongkong, November 16, 1878.

TO LET.

HOUSES Nos. 5 and 9, Zealand Street. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS OFFICES and GODOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60, Praya Central.

Apply to WO HANG, Nos. 6 and 7, Praya West. Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East.

FIRST FLOOR, No. 2, with possession 1st February.

As also, SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Corridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Pier at Wanchai. These may be had in Apartments of Two or Three Rooms to suit convenience. Fine spacious Verandah looking on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

TO LET. FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

Also, A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

For further particulars, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, August 16, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to TURNER & Co. Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

For Sale.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

WOOLLEN SOCKS, DRAWERS and UNDERSHIRTS. LETT'S DIARIES. LETT'S DIARIES. RIDING WHIPS, BRIDLES and PONY HARNESS. RUG STRAPS, YORK HAMS, CHIT BOOKS. HORSE CLIPPERS, FILTERS, SILBER LAMPS. French and English BOOTS and SHOES. The New Patent LIFE VESTS. PONY HARNESS, CHUBB'S FIREPROOF SAFES. SALAMANDERS for Heating Baths.

WORKS OF REFERENCE, California APPLES. HAIR BRUSHES, BILLIARD CLOTHS. COPYING PRESSES, CHRISTY'S HATS. SCARFS, COLLARS, KID GLOVES. FOOD WARMERS, CIGARETTES. CRICKET BATS, BALLS, GLOVES, &c. PARTAGA'S HAVANA CIGARS. BATH TOWELS, PAINT BOXES. DAMASK for Table Cloths, STATIONERY.

PATENT WATER CLOSETS, POCKET BOOKS. DOG COLLARS and CHAINS, TENNIS BALLS. CHILDREN'S BOOKS, VALISES. Ladies' and Gentlemen's DRESSING BAGS, Fitted. AIR CUSHIONS, BILLIARD BALLS. SHORT SNIDERS with SWORD BAYONETS. BASS'S ALE, Bottled by FOSTER. GUINNESS'S STOUT, BASS in HIDE, SACCONI'S SHERRIES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, January 9, 1879.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of JOHN GRANT SMITH and WILLIAM DOLAN in our Firm CEASED on the 31st day of December, 1878.

MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co. Dated this 31st day of December, 1878. f4

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr. CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date. RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1879. f71

NOTICE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP Co. M. R. J. J. HOWARD is hereby authorized to SIGN BILLS of LADING by the Company's Steamers. RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, January 2, 1879. f62

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned being about to Close his Firm at Swatow, hereby notifies that all DEBTS and CLAIMS due to or by him, he will Collect and Pay. The Interest and Good will of his Business has been transferred to Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. E. VINCENT. Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. have this Day Established a BRANCH of their Firm at Swatow, and have authorized Mr. G. D. PITMAN to Sign per Procuration. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the late JOHN FALCONER ROSE in our Firm CEASED on the 21st January, 1879. ROSE & Co. Hongkong, January 22, 1879. f30

NOTICE.

I HAVE this Day RESUMED my BUSINESS as MARINE SURVEYOR at this Port. R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Insurance Offices and Lloyd's Register of Shipping. Club Chambers, Hongkong, December 21, 1878. f61

NOTICE.

MR. EZEKIEL ABRAHAM SOLOMON has been admitted a Partner in our Firm at this Port and in China, from 1st January, 1879. E. D. SASSOON & Co. Hongkong, January 24, 1879. f24

NOTICE.

I HAVE this Day Established myself as a COMMISSION MERCHANT, &c., at No. 2, Queen's Road, under the Style of "J. G. SMITH & Co." J. GRANT SMITH. Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

REFERENCE to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr. LEONG YOK CHUN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper. KONG CHIM, Lessee of the Hongkong-Chinese Mail, Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Tenth Ordinary Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at Half-PAST Two o'clock in the afternoon of MONDAY, the 24th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1878. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th February, both days inclusive. By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary. Hongkong, January 24, 1879. f24

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HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE above SOCIETY'S ANNUAL EXHIBITION of FLOWERS, FRUIT, VEGETABLES, &c., will be held on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 12th and 13th of February, 1879. W. M. B. ARTHUR, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, January 23, 1879. f613

PLEASE NOTICE.

MR. H. SCHÜREN begs to advertise that he will leave this Colony for Europe on or about the 8th of March next, and that therefore no Photos. can be taken by him after the 28th of February. Hongkong, January 13, 1879. f613

NOTICE.

G. FALCONER & Co. beg to announce that, during DECEMBER and JANUARY Next, they will offer their Large and Magnificent Stock of JEWELLERY, WATCHES, CLOCKS, SILVER and ELECTRO-PLATE, &c., &c., Considerably under the Usual Prices.

Just Arrived from England, an Elegant ASSORTMENT of SILVER CUPS, suitable for REGATTA or RACE MEETINGS. Hongkong, November 28, 1878. f61

NOTICE.

THE Read Office of the CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, is this Day REMOVED to No. 39, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. J. BRADLEE SMITH, General Agent. Hongkong, December 30, 1878. f30

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THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE TENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHARE

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Gordon Castle*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, at their risk into the Godowns of Messrs BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m., To-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 4th Proximo will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 28, 1879. fe4

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

S. S. YANGTSE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.

Euphrate, from London, in connection

with the above Steamer, are hereby

informed that their Goods are being

landed and stored at their risk at the

Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be

obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,

unless intimation is received from the Consignees,

before To-day, the 24th Instant,

at 3 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Fri-

day, the 31st Instant, at Noon, will be

subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. HENNEQUIN,

Actg. Agent.

Hongkong, January 24, 1879.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo

are requested to send in their Bills of

Lading to the Undersigned for counter-

signature, and take immediate delivery.

This Cargo has been landed and stored at

their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. HENNEQUIN,

Actg. Agent.

Ex "Iraqaddy."

G (in diamond) No. 1/3, Messrs Gilman

& Co., cases Granite, from London.

Hongkong, January 3, 1879.

INITIATIONS.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS

STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at

Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS

GODOWNS, under European supervision;

and VESSELS Discharged alongside the

WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick

despatch.

MEYER & Co.,

Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my29

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor

Owners will be Responsible for any

Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew

of the following Vessels, during their stay

in Hongkong Harbour:—

FONTENAY, British ship, Capt. Geo. B.

Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

FANNY, French barque, Captain E. M.

Gouvy.—Landstein & Co.

PRINCE ARTHUR, British barque, Capt.

R. Wills.—Chinese.

PACIFIC, German steamer, Capt. Hern-

schelm.—Siemens & Co.

PILGRIM, American ship, Capt. Fowle.—

Russell & Co.

ALFREDO, Italian barque, Captain S.

Pittaluga.—Borneo Co., Limited.

HAKON ADELSTEIN, Norwegian steamer,

Captain O. O. Berge.—Arnhold, Karberg

& Co.

BEETHOVEN, German barque, Capt. R.

Hahn.—Melchers & Co.

S. B. ALLEN, American barque, Captain

L. Taylor.—Meyer & Co.

CHANNEL QUEEN, British ship, Captain

Le Lacheur.—E. Schellhaas & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAI.

The Steamship

"CHINA,"

F. C. AUBREY, Master, will

be despatched for the above Ports

To-morrow, the 30th Inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 29, 1879. ja80

FOR BANGKOK.

The Steamship

"BELLONA,"

ARKEN, Master, will be de-

spatched for the above Port

To-morrow, the 30th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 29, 1879. ja80

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH BARQUE ABBEY

COWPER, FROM ANTWERP.

The above-named Vessel having arrived,

Consignees of Cargo are requested to

send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-

signed for countersignature, and to take

immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the

Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-

signees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 29, 1879. fe4

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL,

HONGKONG.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY

will perform

SULLIVAN'S OPERA

H. M. S. "PINAFORE,"

ON

MONDAY,

February 10th, 1879.

TICKETS may be procured and Seats re-

served at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co's

on and after Wednesday, February 5th.

G. B. EMORY,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1879. fe11

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO

STEAMBOAT COMPANY,

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the RATE of 3%,

or \$2.25 per SHARE, declared at

the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Share-

holders held this Day, will be Payable at

the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION on and after FRIDAY Next,

the 31st Instant.

Shareholders are requested to apply at

the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1879.

FOR SALE.

A NEW COTTAGE GRAND PIANO,

BY

JOHN BROADWOOD & SONS.

J. M. ARMSTRONG.

Hongkong, January 29, 1879. fe5

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 28, 10 p.m., *Lily*, H. M. gun vessel, 700, Basil E. Ouchrane, Yokohama Dec. 17, Kobe Jan. 15 and Nagasaki 21.

Jan. 29, *Kwangtung*, British steamer, 675, Punohard, Foochow Jan. 26, Amoy 27, and Swatow 28, General.—DOUGLAS L. FRANK & Co.

Jan. 29, *Me-li*, Chinese steamer, 181, R. Marsden, Shanghai Jan. 21, and Swatow 22, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Jan. 29, *Hwai Yuen*, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

Jan. 29, *China*, German steamer, from Canton.

Jan. 29, *Abney Couper*, British barque, 699, S. Carr, Antwerp July 28, General.—MEYER & Co.

Jan. 29, *Dale*, British steamer, 657, Thomson, Bangkok Jan. 20, General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 29, *Yottung*, for Swatow.

29, *China*, for Yokohama.

29, *Guatlor*, for Shanghai.

29, *Conquest*, for Hoihow.

29, *Emerald*, for Amoy.

29, *Diamond*, for Manila.

CLEARED.

Charite, for Tientsin.

Orso, for Guam.

China, for Shanghai.

Emilio V., for Nagasaki.

Paralus, for Tientsin.

Yesso, for Coast Ports.

Hawthorn, for Tientsin.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Kwangtung*, from Coast Ports, Mr and Mrs Fairhurst, Messrs Sheppard, Lethbridge and Greagh, 3 Europeans deck, and 53 Chinese.

Per *Me-li*, from Shanghai and Swatow, 2 Europeans deck, and 4 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Guatlor*, for Shanghai: from Hongkong, Mr G. H. Townsend, and 3 Chinese; from Southampton, Mr W. Brown; from Brindley, Mr Lazarus; from Bombay, Mr R. M. Campbell.

Per *Conquest*, for Hoihow, &c., Mr H. Masse, and 56 Chinese deck.

Per *Diamond*, for Manila, Messrs O. S. Nichols, O. von W. Subm, J. Ullmann, T. J. Reynolds, and R. D. Tucker.

Per *Yottung*, for Swatow, 64 Chinese.

Per *China*, for Yokohama, 1 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British gun vessel *Lily* reports: Very heavy weather off Nagasaki on the night of 21st Jan., rendering it necessary to lay to, near Miao Sima; strong monsoon until off Chapel Island, then light Easterly winds to port. H.M.S. *Junco* at Yokohama. H.M.S. *Midge* and *Sylvia* at Kobe. H.M.S. *Egeria* at Nagasaki.

The British steamer *Kwangtung* reports: Left Foochow on the 26th, had moderate N.E. winds and cloudy weather to Amoy; thence to Swatow strong Northerly winds and clear weather. Left Swatow on the 28th, had moderate N.E. winds and fine weather to port. In Foochow: None. In Amoy: S. S. *Wenchow* and *Corea*. In Swatow: S. S. *Chefoo* and *Peruvia*, and H.M.S. *Hart*. S. S. *Douglas* left Swatow on the 28th for Amoy. On the 27th at 2 a.m., passed a steamship bound North.

The Chinese steamer *Me-li* reports: Strong monsoon throughout.

The British barque *Abney Couper* reports: Vessels "P. kon"—Aug. 16th, *Oliva Branch*, Newcastle to Pulo Penang, 24 days out; same date, *Sauwha*, Liverpool to Shanghai, 18 days out; Aug. 20th, *Abercrombie*, Liverpool to Bombay, 22 days out; in lat. 27° 11' N., long. 21° 49' W., Oct. 11th, *Moel Aithon*, Sunderland to Singapore, 77 days out; in lat. 40° S., long. 85° E.; Dec. 1st, *Sumaride*, Hamburg to Hongkong, 110 days out; in Omabay Pass; Dec. 20th, *Corea*, London to Hongkong, 136 days out; in Borneo Straits; 25th, *Africa*, Cardiff to Hongkong, 136 days out; in Gilillo Straits; same date, L.D.G.M., Liverpool to Philippines, 136 days out; in Gilillo Straits; 2nd, *Gertude*, Antwerp to Yokohama, 121 days out; in lat. 4° 45' N., long. 139° 55' E.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For NINGPO & SHANGHAI.—

Per *China*, at 9.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 30th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per *Hwai Yuen*, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 30th inst.

For BANGKOK.—

Per *Danube*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 30th inst.Per *Bellona*, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 30th inst.

For SAIGON.—

Per *Quinta*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 3rd February.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet *Pekin* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 1st February, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Brindley or Southampton; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Barmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—

The United States Mail Packet *Oceanic* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 4th February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

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MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Tigre* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th February, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Barmah, Ceylon, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—

The United States Mail Packet *City of Peking* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 22nd February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

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HOURS OF CLOSING

THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing

Mails, &c., by both the British and

French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure.

5 p.m.—Money Order Office closes; Post

Office closes except the Night Box,

which remains open all night.

Day of departure.

7 a.m.—Post Office opens.

10 a.m.—Registry of Letters ceases.

Posting of all printed matter and

patterns ceases.

11 a.m.—Mails closed, except for Late

Letters.

11.10 a.m.—Letters may be posted with

Late Fee of 18 cents until

11.30 a.m.—when the Post Office Closes

entirely.

11.40 a.m.—Late Letters may be posted

on board the packet with Late Fee of

18 cents until time of departure.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, January 31.—

Goods per *Yangtze* undelivered after

Noon, subject to rent and landing

charges.

Dividend of 3% on Shares of H. C. &

M. Steamboat Co. payable at H. & S.

Bank.

SATURDAY, February 1.—

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports

of Call and Europe.

MONDAY, February 3.—

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

TUESDAY, February 4.—

5 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s

Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San

Francisco.

Goods per *Gordon Castle* undelivered

after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, February 8.—

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of

Call and Europe.

MONDAY, February 10.—

9 p.m.—Opera by the H. K. Choral

Society at the City Hall.

TUESDAY, February 11.—

Transfer Books of The China Fire Insur-

ance Co., Limited, closed from this date

to 24th February, inclusive.

WEDNESDAY, February 12.—

Flower Show.

SATURDAY, February 22.—

9 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yoko-

hama and San Francisco.

MONDAY, February 24.—

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of

The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited,

at 101, Queen's Road.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Yesso* leaves for Coast Ports.10 a.m.—*China* leaves for Ningpo, &c.4 p.m.—*Bellona* leaves for Bangkok.

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